

WESTERN ONTARIO.

The Knox Church (Guelph) people held a lawn social at Mr. A. W. Alexander's last week.

The Rev. John McLaughlin occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church, Cayuga, on Sunday, June 25th.

Rev. Dr. Torrance attended a meeting of the Probationers' Committee, in Hamilton, this week.

Work has been begun on the fine new church edifice at Cedarville. During rebuilding the congregation are worshipping in the Methodist Church.

Rev. J. McD. Duncan, Woodville, preached morning and evening in Knox Church, Guelph, last Sabbath.

Rev. Jas. Hamilton, nephew of Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Motherwell, left on Monday last for Moosemin, Assiniboia, to which place he has been called to labor.

The Rev. J. A. Cranston was married on Wednesday last week to Miss Annie Dow, of Fergus, by Rev. J. A. Dow, of Gravenhurst, brother of the bride.

Rev. Mr. L. Leitch and Messrs. Mayberry and R. W. Dillon, of Stratford, addressed the Perth County Christian Endeavor convention during its sessions in Atwood.

Rev. J. S. McIlraith, of the Balderson Presbyterian Church, preached in Knox Church, Perth, on Sunday, in the absence of the pastor in Western Ontario. Rev. D. Currie will occupy his pulpit next Sunday.

Messrs. G. Thompson and L. Cuddy, of St. Andrew's, Strathroy, have been appointed to represent the session at the meeting of the Presbytery on July 12, when Rev. Dr. Jordan's removal will be dealt with. Mr. T. Banks was elected Presbytery clerk for the year.

The congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brandon, have agreed to extend an unanimous call to Rev. Mr. Scott, B.A., of Hespeler. St. Andrew's Church is the latest addition to the Presbyterian churches of Brandon.

Last week the Galt Reporter stated that the Rev. Dr. Jackson, formerly of Galt, was an applicant for the pastorate of Stanley Street Presbyterian Church, Arr. Dr. Jackson writes the Reformer, making a positive denial: "I have had no communication, directly or indirectly, either with any person connected with Stanley Street Church, or in regard to it."

Rev. Dr. Hamilton, of Motherwell, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church, Fullarton, on Sunday last, it being the occasion of that church's anniversary. The Rev. Mr. Andrews, of that village, occupied Motherwell pulpit.

The Rev. John Taylor, missionary elect to India, filled Knox Church pulpit, Galt, on Sunday night. His sermon was instructive and helpful, and the congregation large and appreciative. The music was of a high order. Miss Grace Trotter took the solo part in the hymns, and Mr. Arthur Hamilton presiding at the organ. The latter's command of the instrument elicited many complimentary remarks.

The report of the last meeting of the Montreal Presbytery contains the following: Rev. W. P. Walker, who resigned from the Hamilton Presbytery on account of ill-health, and came to Montreal, requested to be put on the roll of the Presbytery, he explaining that his health was now considerably improved and that he did not intend to take up a charge, but simply to fill supplies. It was agreed to receive him as a minister without charge, and place his name on the roll of the Presbytery.

At the adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Guelph, held in Knox Church, a telegraphic despatch was received from Rev. Mr. McNair, of Waterloo, signifying his acceptance of the call from the Session and congregation at Oakville.

It was agreed that in view of this fact the translation should be granted, and that the dissolution of the pastoral tie take place on and after the 9th inst. Rev. B. B. Williams was appointed to preach and declare the charge vacant on the 16th, and Rev. Mr. Hamilton, of Waterbourne, was appointed Moderator of the Session during the vacancy, and also of the Session of Baden, and Rev. Mr. Glasford, of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Berlin, of which Mr. McNair was Moderator since the translation of Rev. Mr. Atkinson to Toronto.

It was a convincing and affecting appeal that the Rev. Mr. Wilkie, of Indore, India, made to Galt Presbyterians on Sunday on behalf of the unenlightened millions for whom he has worked long and faithfully. He occupied the Knox Church pulpit in the morning, and that of the Central Church in the evening. He told of India's needs in language simple and forceful. The natives were a people of promise; they were ready to be taught were they given the teachers. There was a golden opportunity for Canadian

Presbyterians, and Mr. Wilkie hoped and believed that they would be worthy of it. Missionaries were needed, and the Presbyterian Church of Canada could and should fill the void. Precious was the vineyard; who would labor? Missionary sermons and addresses have been delivered in Galt at various times, but few have reached the hearts as large the words of Mr. Wilkie, whose every thought and wish are of India and its children.

EASTERN ONTARIO

The strawberry festival on Mrs. Mackenzie's lawn last week in aid of St. Andrew's Church, Brighton, was an entire success.

Rev. Mr. Christolm, of Dunbarton, preached in Ashburn last Sunday. It is expected that the call of Rev. Mr. Crozier will be ready shortly to present to the Presbytery.

The pulpit of the Presbyterian Church, Unionville, on Sabbath evening was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Martin, of Markham, who delivered an eloquent address to a fair audience.

The First Presbyterian congregation, Brockville, who have been without a pastor for several months, have extended a call to Rev. R. Laird, of Campbellford.

Communion service was held in St. Paul's Church, Franktown, on Sunday last. On Friday previous Mr. D. R. Ferguson, of the Derry, was ordained to the office of the eldership.

The Rev. G. T. Boyne, of Appleton, takes his vacation this month, and his pulpit will be filled next Sabbath by Rev. A. A. Scott, of Carleton Place, in St. Andrew's Church, at 2.30 o'clock, and the Rev. Geo. Woodside, of Carleton Place, in Melville Church, Ashton, at the same hour.

Rev. A. H. McGillivray, a graduate of Knox College, was recently inducted into the pastorate of the Newmarket Presbyterian Church, Reves, J. McSodest and Rogers, of Toronto, W. Amos, of Aurora, and Marston, of Uxbridge, were present. Rev. Mr. McGillivray was also ordained.

A lawn social was held on the lawn of Mr. H. Walker, Stittsville, on July 7th, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. Revs. McLean, of Carp; Ladstone, of Richmond, and Woodside, of Carleton Place, were present and delivered addresses. There was also a musical programme, and the usual good things provided by the ladies.

Rev. J. M. McLean, B.A., of Rosebank, was in Almonte recently prior to his departure for his new field of labor in Chatham, N.B. He gave his farewell sermons at Clayton and Rosebank last Sunday, to very large congregations, and was deeply touched by the kindness of the remarks made on the eve of his leaving the people to whom he ministered so acceptably during the eight years that have flown by since he was ordained and inducted into his Ramsey charge. Rev. Mr. McLean is one of the brainiest and most vigorous preachers in the Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery, and his removal is a distinct loss to this section.

One of the Dominion Day celebrations in the town of Ottawa was the laying of the cornerstone of the new Presbyterian Church. The stone was laid by Mayor R. McLaughlin, with all the solemnness due to the occasion. After the stone was declared to be well and truly laid, addresses were delivered by the following gentlemen: Rev. Mr. Leiby, on behalf of the Ministerial Association of the town; Mr. William Smith, ex-M.P., on behalf of the Parliamentary representation of the country; and Rev. Mr. McAuley, of the Presbytery of Whitby, and ex-Mayor Fowler, on behalf of the town. The estimated cost of the structure is between \$15,000 and \$20,000, and sentiments were expressed by the speakers that the new building might be opened free from encumbrance, between \$9,000 and \$10,000 having already been raised.

A handsome stone church to be erected at Vankleek Hill is now something to be looked forward to with pleasure. The site chosen is the large corner lot next the market. The congregation of the Presbyterian Church have decided upon the final plans. The church will front on St. John street. There will be two entrances to the church, one on St. John street, and two side entrances to the basement from Hamilton street. The tower will be on the corner and will be a piece of the most modern architecture. The seating capacity of the church will be 575 in the seats with room for 300 more in the aisles. There will be a wide aisle around the entire auditorium and three centre aisles. The pulpit will be in the corner, to which all seats will face. The floor will be an inclined one with the choir in the entrance, immediately in front of the pulpit. The pulpit. The basement will be neatly finished and will have ten class rooms, a library, cloak rooms, toilet rooms, furnace room and auditorium. It will be on the same plan as the auditorium above. The class rooms will be separated

by sliding glass doors. The basement will seat 300. It is expected that the entire cost of the church will be between \$12,000 and \$15,000. It is intended to make the subscriptions payable in four annual payments—the first to be in December of this year. Mr. A. N. Cheney and Mr. J. S. McIntosh will solicit subscriptions and expect to have the entire amount subscribed before the work is begun. They have been given every encouragement and think there will be little difficulty in having the required amount promptly subscribed.

MONTREAL.

The congregation of St. John's French Presbyterian Church was cited on Sunday last to appear before the Montreal Presbytery with reference to the call recently extended to the Rev. Dr. Amaron pastor of the church, to Ste. Anne, Ill. Dr. Amaron was seen with reference to the call, and expressed himself as still in a state of indecision as to its acceptance. Among the considerations which seem to point to an acceptance of the call is the floating debt on St. John's Church. He had thought that the floating debt of \$3,000 had been provided for; but in this connection there had been a disappointment of a sum amounting to \$1,000, and the church still has that amount of floating debt, which oppresses it very much. This is in addition to the mortgage on the church of \$4,000, the interest on which has also to be raised by the church. If the last thousand dollars of the floating debt were raised, it would place the church in an easier position financially. Dr. Amaron also felt that, owing to the growth of the mission work in connection with French evangelization, and the amount of time taken up in visiting from house to house, as was necessary, he was not able to do justice to the spiritual work of the church, which he considered was the principal work of a pastor. There were a few other minor reasons which seemed to point to an acceptance of the call on his part, which matter, however, will only be finally settled when the call again comes before the Presbytery.

QUEBEC PROVINCE.

A social in connection with the Ladies' Aid of La Guerre congregation, was held on the grounds of Mr. David Vass on Thursday evening, 15th June. While all in connection with the Ladies' Aid entered into the matter heartily, yet special mention is to be made of what was done by Mr. Vass and family. They spared neither labor, pains nor expense to make the social a success. The building in which the tea was served was beautifully decorated and the tables fairly groined under the good things of this life. After partaking of a sumptuous tea the programme commenced, well assisted by speeches, recitations, interspersed by music from Dundee choir, friends from Fort Covington and Huntington and local talent. The social was a grand success financially and otherwise, having realized the sum of \$80. The company then dispersed feeling that they had spent a very pleasant time, while the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Vass and family will long be remembered by La Guerre congregation.

WINNIPEG AND WEST.

Rev. Dr. Wright, of Portage la Prairie, preached in Knox Church, Winnipeg, last Sunday.

Rev. Prof. Stewart, of Wesley College, occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, Winnipeg, on Sunday, June 25th, and delivered two able discourses.

Rev. R. G. MacBeth has arrived from the east, and conducted both services on Sunday in Augustine Church.

The new addition to the Point Douglas Presbyterian Church is nearing completion, and will be opened with special dedicatory services Sunday, July 8. A special collection will be taken on that day in aid of the church finances.

Marriages.

On June 28th, At Rosebank, Proton, Ont., by the Rev. N. A. McDonald, Mr. James Roberts, farmer, eldest son of Ezekiel Roberts, Esq., Egrement, to Annie May, second youngest daughter of Mr. James Smith, Cedarville, all of Ontario.

On Wednesday, June 21, 1890, at the residence of the bride's father, Berlin, G. H. Neidler, of the University of Toronto, to Mary Winifred, daughter of Judge Chisholm.

At the residence of the bride's father, on Wednesday, the 28th June, by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, assisted by the Rev. D. McLaren, brother-in-law to the bride, and Rev. T. J. Thompson, Mr. Thornton Flett, of the law firm of Flett & Gregory, Victoria, B.C., to Miss Elizabeth, fifth and youngest daughter of John Forin, Esq., Belleville, Ont.